



Pre-Organizational PTA Meeting Held at Hamilton Elementary School

Pre-organization of the new Hamilton Elementary School PTA recently met with no snags. On hand to help conduct the meeting and keep a watchful eye on the proceedings were Mrs. Harry Bimber, 33rd District extension chairman, and Eldon Morgan, council extension chairman. Principal Dale Wickstrom opened the meeting by introducing the teachers. Election of a committee to report to the next meeting, April 15, followed.

Serving on the nominating committee are Mmes. William Wells, Clifford Brink, Rudy Essau and Kenneth Patty. By-laws: Mmes. Deane Scoville, Lewis Woelcke, Howard Rodick and Arthur Hanson. Membership: Mmes. Clifford Brink, Matt Franich, Don Olson and William Foster. Call committee: Mmes. M. H. Rice and Wiley Raulston. Hospitality committee: Mmes. H. M. Rice, William Wells, Wiley Raulston, Rudy Essau, William Foster and Howard Rodick.

Torrance Council officers and

chairmen present to welcome the new unit were Mmes. Kenneth McVey, Council president; William Poser, president-elect and present second vice-president; V. B. Terry, financial secretary; Evar Jansson, hospital; Hector Herrera, courtesy; Jack Prince, Honorary Life Membership and Founder's Day; Wilson Wiley, membership; Francis Studler, president, Arlington PTA; and Mrs. Marvin Richards, president, Crenshaw PTA.

Columbia to Form New PTA Group

Parents for the new Columbia Elementary School for retarded children decided by a recent vote that it was high time to form a PTA group. The school will be occupied March 30 and the PTA group, with the help of Mmes. Kenneth McVey, council president, and Eldon Morgan, council extension chairman, will hold its first organizational meeting April 21.

Harold McBride will act as temporary chairman, with Mrs. Paul Snyder as secretary, with the following committees reporting: By-Laws, Harold McBride and Mmes. Paul Snyder, Clayton Bowen and Raymond Ost; Nominating, Mrs. Jewell

Trumbo, Dean Therman, William Smith, Edward Brown and Harry Diamond. Membership, Mmes. Dean Therman, E. A. Von and William Smith. Interested parents are urged to become charter members at the meeting.

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March "World Friendship" Program Highlights Brownie Birthday

Brownies of Troop 1506 observed their birthday anniversary March 12 at Normandale Playground. Songs and dances from foreign lands highlighted the "World Friendship" program of the party. A Hawaiian dance was presented by Patrol 1. Taking part in the dance were Carole and Sharon Hamilton, Darlyn Deuschle, Mary Olson, Shirley Wareing, Teresa Olvera, Donna King, and Cheral Smith. Patrol 2 featured Japan. In the dance were Linda Alford, Janet Rapp, Christine Epperheimer, Priscilla Guterrez, Diana Brown, Frances Taclay, Chaundal Johnson and Sharon Perkins. A dance from Mexico was given by Patrol 3. In the dance were Donna White, Debra O'Brien, Brenda LeRoy, Shirley Taclay, Lynn Ann Thompson, Elizabeth Holmes, Sherry Pulley and Karin Olsen. Collection was taken for the Juliette Low fund and World Friendship pins were presented to all the Brownies.

It was the last meeting for Mrs. Donald King, leader. The new leaders are Mmes. Joy Brown, Lorene McDaniel, Cammie Wareing and Joyce Bergon. The troop will be divided into two groups. Four new girls welcomed into the troop were Belinda McDaniel, Valerie Bradshaw, Christina Bergon and Kathy Rodella.

Mrs. Dittman New President of 186th St. PTA

Mrs. Donald Dittman was elected as president of 186th St. PTA at the recent meeting held in the school auditorium. Other officers for 1959-60 will be Merrill Lindley, first vice president; Paul Tobey, second vice president; Niels Iversen, secretary; Frank Garst, treasurer; Bill Thrower, historian, and representing the fathers, Ward Grantham, auditor. Guests introduced included Mrs. C. N. Peterson, president of Gardena-Wilmington council, and Gordon Ashdown, institutional representative of youth groups for 186th Street School PTA. Miss Ruth Engdahl, principal, and Douglas Naylor, diagnostic center teacher, spoke on proposition A, the school tax increase to be voted on at the Los Angeles City election April 7. Mrs. I. J. Brunson, faculty representative and A5-B6 teacher, narrated a faculty and staff panel discussion which included Mrs. Evaline Gill, B6 teacher; Miss Ruthita Shidler, school nurse, and Naylor. Refreshments were served after the meeting by Mrs. Jimmy Deems, second grade chairman, and her room mothers.

Mrs. E. G. Croom Re-Elected at Gateway Council

Mrs. E. G. Croom was re-elected to the presidency of Gateway Council PTA at the recent meeting held in Peary Junior High School, Gardena. Elected to serve with her are Mmes: Harry G. Post Jr., first vice-president, Harry T. Nishimoto, second vice-president, Joseph B. Butler, secretary, Lee Speirs, treasurer, Oscar Smith, auditor, George D. Weeks, historian. Announcement of the third annual International Luncheon on May 13th at the American Legion Hall, 1260 Broad Ave., Wilmington was made. Proceeds of the luncheon will go to the Milk and Lunch program of the Tenth District. During the program Mrs. Harry T. Nishimoto explained the Music Scholarship Fund. Twenty Scholarships of \$100 each are awarded each year to young people in secondary schools. Scholarships in voice are offered to senior high school students only, but the instrumental awards are made to students of both junior and senior high schools. Mrs. C. L. Wilson told of the program of summer school Art Scholarships also offered to junior and senior high school students who are recommended by their art teachers. Local presidents in attendance were Mmes. John Kappu, Banning High PTA; Milton Johnson, Dana Jr.; Joseph Butler, Fleming Jr.; W. E. Martois, Gardena High; David P. Goolsby, Narbonne High; Joe Kobata, Peary Jr. High; Peter Costas Jr., San Pedro High; Oscar Smith, S. M. White Jr. High and Glade Murchison, Wilmington Jr. High.

Mrs. Gonderman Elected as New President

Mrs. James Gonderman was elected president of 223rd St. School PTA at the recent March meeting. Serving with her will be Mmes. Virgil Johnson, first vice-president; Hampton Carroll, second vice-president; Robert Brown, secretary; Donald King, treasurer; Frank Perkins, financial secretary, and Paul Kelso, auditor. Following the election, a program on reading, posture and speech classes was demonstrated.

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VISITORS FROM OTHER LANDS—were portrayed by members of Brownie Troop 264 recently when they held their celebration in honor of Girl Scout Week. From left, Claire Bailie, Canada; Diane Bishop, Holland; Gayle Ebright and Sandy Farmer, Korea; and Gari Pilen, Germany.

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